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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, GB

SUBJ: DOWNED HELICOPTER

REF: (A) LIBREVILLE 0441 (B) LIBREVILLE 0494

1. EMBOFF JUST CONTACTED BY LT. COL. AMONIN, HELICOPTER SEARCH LIAISON OFFICER FROM PRESIDENCY, WHO REQUESTED INFO ON U.S. CAPABILITIES IN JUNGLE DEFOLIATION AND RADAR PHOTO MAPPING.

2. IN ORDER TO LOCATE DOWNED HELICOPTER, GABONESE PROPOSE USING DEFOLIANTS ON 400 SQUARE KILOMETERS OF JUNGLE IN THE PRIMARY SEARCH ZONE. GABONESE REQUEST INFORMATION ON DEFOLIANTS AVAILABLE, TIME REQUIRED FOR CHEMICALS TO TAKE EFFECT, AND TOXIC EFFECTS ON INHABITANTS OR SEARCHERS REENTERING AREA.

3. GABONESE HAVE ALSO REQUESTED U.S. AID IN MAPPING PRIMARY  
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SEARCH ZONE SO THAT GROUND SEARCH CAN BE MORE EFFECTIVE. REQUESTED RADAR PHOTO MAPPING. EXISTING MAPS OF SEARCH ZONE ARE INCOMPLETE AND INACCURATE. YATES

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